

REMARKS

The specification and drawings have been amended to make editorial changes therein, bearing in mind the criticisms in the Official Action, to place the application in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

The indication that claim 11 includes patentable subject matter is acknowledged with thanks. In reliance thereon, the subject matter of claim 11 has been included in new claim 14. Claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 14. Consideration and allowance of claims 3 and 14 are respectfully requested.

Claims 6-8 were rejected under §112, second paragraph. Claim 6 has been canceled and the dependencies of claims 7-8 have been amended into conformance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 4-6, 9 and 12 were rejected as anticipated by INOVA 6,247,815. Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 4 and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

INOVA discloses a panoramic display that includes a projector 26 in a display module 6 that is associated with a desk module 4. The display module 6 includes mirrors 28 that reflect light from the projector 26 onto a screen 24. However, INOVA does not disclose that the projector is underneath a work surface on a top of the desk, that light output from the projector is reflected by a mirror and projected in front of the desk, where

all of the light output from the projector passes from underneath the work surface and beyond a front of the top of the desk (this is illustrated, by way of example, in Figures 6-8). Projector 26 in INOVA is not underneath a work surface of desk module 4 so that all of the light output from projector 26 does not pass from underneath the work surface and beyond a front of the top of desk module 4. Accordingly, amended claim 1, and claims 2, 4-5 and 7-13 dependent from claim 1, avoid the rejection under §102.

Claim 4 has been amended and further avoids the rejection because INOVA does not disclose that the mirror also is underneath the work surface of the desk.

Claims 2-3, 7-8, 10 and 13 were rejected as unpatentable over INOVA alone or in view of other references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested for the reasons given above.

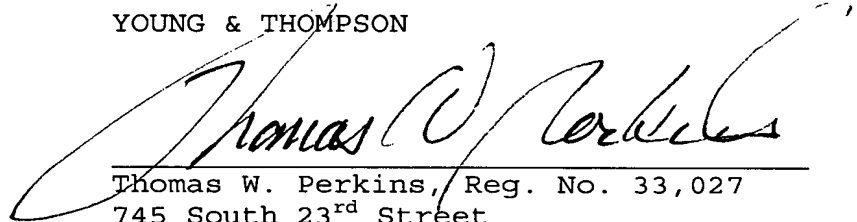
New claims 15-16 are allowable because the references do not disclose or suggest a desk with a work surface having a transparent part, a mirror mounted directly underneath the work surface, a screen in front of the work surface, and a projector underneath the work surface and arranged so that light from the projector is reflected by the mirror and projected through the transparent part onto the screen. The references also do not disclose the rolling members of claim 16 that adjust a distance between the screen and the work surface.

In view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item:

- one replacement drawing sheet

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The replacement sheet in the Appendix includes changes to Figures 10A and 10B. In Figures 10A and 10B, the element number 15 has been removed.